



RESOLUTION

ESTABLISHING A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH CHIGASAKI CITY, JAPAN.

WHEREAS, Resolution 91-240 established guidelines for the City and County of Honolulu ("Honolulu") that govern the establishment of its sister city relationships, as amended by Resolutions 03-52 and 12-21; and

WHEREAS, the guidelines provide that a sister city relationship may be established with another city that shares a direct historical, cultural, or ethnic relationship; offers educational and technological assistance to Honolulu's business, industries, and labor force; offers the exchange of ideas and solutions based on similarities in population size or character; or has common bonds that are mutually beneficial to the citizens of both cities; and

WHEREAS, the guidelines also provide that the number of sister cities from any one country be limited to eight; and

WHEREAS, since the inception of the sister city program more than fifty years ago, Honolulu has established sister city ties with 29 international cities, of which five are cities in Japan: Hiroshima, Naha City, Tokyo, Uwajima, and Nagaoka; and

WHEREAS Chigasaki City is located in the south-central part of Kanagawa Prefecture, Japan, facing Sagami Bay on the Pacific Ocean between Hiratsuka (west) and Kamakura (east); and

WHEREAS, Chigasaki City is well-known for its embrace of Hawaiian culture and is reputed to be the birthplace of Japanese surfing; and

WHEREAS, Chigasaki City hosts the Chigasaki Aloha Market, an annual festival featuring Hawaiian-themed products and entertainment, the Shonan Festival with the motto, "Savor Hawaiian atmosphere in Chigasaki," and the World Invitational Hula Festival, which focuses on hula and Hawaiian culture; and

WHEREAS, Chigasaki City has over 100 hula halau and more than 30 surfboard shops; and

WHEREAS, the Chigasaki City municipal assembly, as well as workers in government and business, wear aloha shirts during the summer months each year; and

WHEREAS, concerns shared by Chigasaki City and Honolulu include coastal erosion, beach maintenance, and an increasing aged population; and



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WHEREAS, the Hawaii Surfing Association, the Chigasaki Surfing Association, and the Chigasaki Branch of the Nihon Surfing Association have entered into a Friendship Agreement involving exchange in sports, culture, education, personal training, environmental conservation, and other mutually agreed upon matters; and

WHEREAS, by its adoption of Resolution 14-27, CD1, on February 19, 2014, the Council established a council friendship relationship with the Chigasaki City Assembly; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2014, the Chigasaki City Assembly passed a resolution to establish its relation with the Honolulu City Council by expressing gratitude and promoting plans to formalize a sister city relationship; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it supports the establishment of a sister city relationship with Chigasaki City, Japan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu is requested to prepare and enter into an agreement with the Mayor of Chigasaki City, Japan, to formalize the sister city relationship; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sister city agreement shall be consistent with the policies of Resolutions 91-240, 03-52 and 12-21, as amended; and



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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, the Mayor of Chigasaki, and the Chairperson of the Chigasaki City Assembly.

INTRODUCED BY:

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

JUL 30 2014
Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

CITY COUNCIL
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII
CERTIFICATE

RESOLUTION 14-178

Introduced: 07/30/14

By: ERNEST MARTIN

Committee: COUNCIL

Title: RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH CHIGASAKI CITY, JAPAN.

Voting Legend: * = Aye w/Reservations

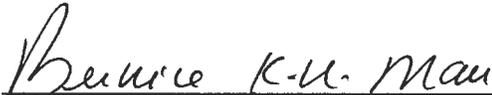
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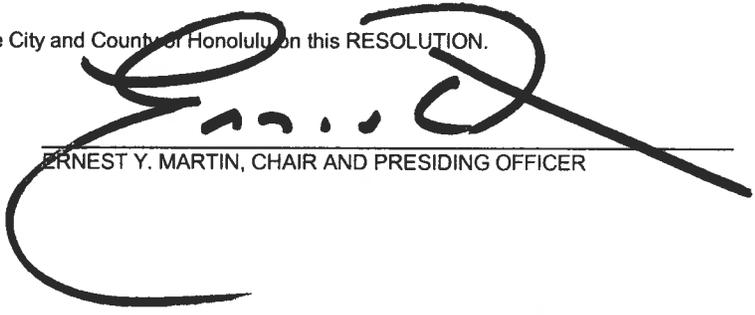
RESOLUTION 14-178 WAS ADOPTED.

9 AYES: ANDERSON, CHANG, FUKUNAGA, HARIMOTO, KOBAYASHI, MANAHAN, MARTIN, MENOR, PINE.

I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.



BERNICE K. N. MAU, CITY CLERK


ERNEST Y. MARTIN, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER